

BULL TERRIER CLUB OF AMERICA, INC. VERSATILITY AWARDS

In 2002, the BTCA created a national club award that recognizes Bull Terriers with titles, certifications and service in multiple venues. Their accomplishments are recognized with two awards, the Versatility Award (VA) and the Versatility Award Excellent (VAX.) Artists Linda Lethin, Carl Wright and Janis Dolphin generously gave their time and talent to design the presentation porcelain plates.



Based on a point system, the VA recognizes Bull Terriers that have accumulated 5 points in 3 different areas. The VAX recognizes Bull Terriers that have earned 10 points in 4 different areas.

Six retroactive Versatility Awards, two of them posthumous, were presented at the 2002 Silverwood banquet. Since then many more Bull Terriers have followed in their paw prints. As of 2021, there are 53 VA and 26 VAX Bull Terriers. All of the past recipients are listed in the “Past Trophy Winners” section of [The Record](#).

Kudos and congratulations to those canine ambassadors who exhibit the ability and good temperament of our breed.

BTCA VERSATILITY AWARD RULES

Note: Owners are responsible for applying for the Versatility Awards and submitting documentation by the deadline of December 31st.

Eligible Dogs: Any AKC registered Bull Terrier belonging to a BTCA member in good standing at the time of application is eligible.

Titles and Requirements: Dogs earn points toward their Versatility Award and Versatility Excellent Award as specified in the Versatility Award Matrix. The titles and requirement are as follows:

- Versatility Award, designated “VA” – 5 points in a minimum of 3 categories
- Versatility Excellent Award, designated “VAX” – 10 points in a minimum of 4 categories

A dog earning any Versatility Award shall have achieved at least one of the CORE titles shown in Pink on the Matrix. This requirement is not in addition to the point requirement – each title earned shall count toward the point requirement.

Presentation of Awards: Versatility awards are earned by the calendar year and awarded the following year. For example, any dog that completes the requirements for the award by December 31, 2021 will receive their award at Silverwood 2022. Documents are due by December 31st.

Application for Versatility Awards: Owners of eligible dogs are responsible for applying for the award and MUST submit documentation of completing the requirements for an award by December 31st.

Documentation should include:

- Complete name of the dog with all titles
- Owner(s) name
- Breeder(s) name
- Certificates of titles earned
- Four generation pedigree
- Photo of your dog of quality suitable for printing in BTCA publications.

The dog’s name, photo and pedigree along with the owner(s) and breeder(s) names will be published in The Record.